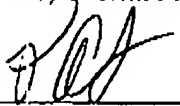


<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> (Large Entity)				Docket No. <b>IMPLEX-13/N0747-29</b>	
In Re Application Of: <b>Bruce Roble, et al.</b>					
Application No. <b>10/035,863</b>	Filing Date <b>12/31/2001</b>	Examiner <b>Pedro Philogene</b>	Customer No. <b>28581</b>	Group Art Unit <b>3732</b>	Confirmation No. <b>4928</b>
Invention: <b>INSTRUMENT SYSTEM FOR PREPARING A DISC SPACE BETWEEN ADJACENT VERTEBRAL BODIES TO RECEIVE A REPAIR DEVICE</b>					
<b><u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></b>  This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>September 8, 2005</u> above-identified application. <small style="margin-left: 100px;">Date</small>  The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired): <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> One month     <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months     <input type="checkbox"/> Three months     <input type="checkbox"/> Four months     <input type="checkbox"/> Five months         </div> <div style="width: 45%;">           from: <u>December 8, 2005</u>     until: <u>February 8, 2006</u>  <small style="margin-left: 100px;">Date</small> </div> </div> The fee for the extension of time is <b>\$450</b> and is to be paid as follows: <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. <b>50-2061</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. <b>50-2061</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. <b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b>  <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="width: 45%; text-align: center;">   <small>Signature</small>  <b>Paul A. Schwarz, Esq.</b>  <b>Registration No. 37,577</b>   <b>Duane Morris LLP</b>  <b>P.O. Box 5203</b>  <b>Princeton, New Jersey 08543-5203</b>  <b>(609) 631-2446 - Telephone</b>  <b>(609) 631-2401 - Facsimile</b> </div> <div style="width: 45%; text-align: right;">           Dated: <b>January 27, 2006</b> </div> </div>					
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;">           CC:         </div> <div style="width: 45%; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">           I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in off envelope addressed to "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" [37 CFR 1.18(a)] on _____  <small style="margin-left: 100px;">(Date)</small>            _____  <small style="margin-left: 100px;">Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</small>            _____  <small style="margin-left: 100px;">Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</small> </div> </div>					